

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 55 as follows:

~~55.~~ (Amended) A method of placing a patient on cardiopulmonary bypass comprising:

introducing a catheter into a subclavian artery, the catheter including a shaft having a first lumen communicating with a first opening and a second lumen communicating with a second opening, and an expandable member attached to the shaft distal to the first opening and proximal to the second opening and being movable between a collapsed shape and an expanded shape;

C2 endovascularly advancing the catheter from the subclavian artery to position the expandable member in the ascending aorta [between the coronary ostia and the brachiocephalic artery];

moving the expandable member into the expanded shape to occlude the ascending aorta;
infusing oxygenated blood into the arterial system downstream of the expandable member through the first lumen and the first opening; and
arresting the heart.

REMARKS

Claims 55-58 are pending in this application.

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's comments concerning the claim of priority. Applicants agree that the claim of priority should be as suggested and, in fact, this claim of priority was established in the transmittal letter for this application (copy enclosed). The transmittal letter also requested amending the first paragraph to provide the proper claim of priority. Nevertheless, Applicants have amended the specification above to include the claim of priority. Applicants also submit herewith a copy of the declaration from the parent application (previously submitted).

Claims 55-58 were rejected as being indefinite. Applicants submit that the drawings clearly show the expandable member (such as the balloon) positioned between the coronary ostia and the brachiocephalic artery. In fact, occlusion of this region is performed in nearly all stopped-heart procedures. Nevertheless, Applicants have removed the limitation of "between the